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May appoint a clerk.

Schemes to be submitted to comm'rs.

All lotteries may be drawn in Baltimore and how &c.

the treasurer of the western shore is authorised to pay semi-annually out of said funds only.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said commissioners, or a majority of them, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to appoint some fit and proper person to act as their clerk, removable at the pleasure of a majority of said commissioners; who shall be entitled to an annual salary of one thousand dollars, payable from the same fund, and in the same manner as the salary of the commissioners.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the managers of all lotteries hereafter to be drawn, except as before excepted, shall submit the schemes thereof to said commissioners, who if they find the same not contrary to the law authorising the same, and the provisions of this act, shall approve it, and upon such approval the said managers shall, as soon thereafter as they may choose and be prepared so to do, present the tickets in said lottery to said commissioners, whose duty it shall be, without delay, to examine the numbering and signing said tickets, and upon finding the same correct, some one or more of said commissioners shall sign his or their name on the backs of each ticket, and return the whole tickets so examined and endorsed back to the managers, who may thereupon, without delay, proceed to sell and dispose of said tickets.

6. *And be it enacted*, That all lotteries authorised by this state shall be drawn in the city of Baltimore, if desired by the managers thereof, or the persons authorised by law to propose such lottery, and if they prefer it, to superintend the same, or procure others with the assent of said commissioners so to do, and the said commissioners shall within three months after their first appointment, publish a list of all lotteries authorised by law, and which have not been drawn as herein before declared, arranging them in the order in which the acts authorising them were passed in point of time, publish the same for one month in the several newspapers in the city of Baltimore, and said lotteries shall be drawn under the direction of said commissioners, and as is herein provided, in the same order as the commissioners shall so have classed them, except those herein before excepted; and if the managers of the lottery so first entitled to be drawn in point of time, shall not within two months thereafter present to said commissioners a scheme of said lottery, for their approval, the right of said managers to draw said lottery shall be wholly forfeited, and they shall not be permitted or allowed to proceed in the execution of the law authorising such lottery; and if after any such scheme shall have been presented and approved by said commissioners, the said managers shall not require said commissioners to proceed to draw the same within four months thereafter, the right to draw said lottery shall in like manner be wholly forfeited, and the managers shall return the money, on demand, to those who have purchased tickets; and upon such forfeiture of right to draw any such lottery in either of the above cases, the commissioners shall forthwith give notice in two or more newspapers printed in Baltimore to the managers of the next lottery entitled to be drawn, and if the managers of such next lottery shall omit to present a scheme, or proceed to draw as is herein before stated, the like forfeiture of right shall take place, and the said commissioners shall then notify as aforesaid the mana-